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EXPORT OF SOYA OIL
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of Soya Oil exported during each of the last three years and the current year alongwith the foreign exchange earned therefrom, country-wise;

(b) whether export of Soya oil has declined during the current year;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to promote the export of Soya oil?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

a): The quantity of Soya Oil exported during each of the last three years and the current year alongwith the foreign exchange earned therefrom is as under:

Year	Quantity (in MTs)	Value (in Rs.crores)
2001-02	3760	7.58
2002-03	13378	40.05
2003-04	2550	14.41
April-04 to Feb.05	3339	19.82

Source: dgci&s, Kolkata.

Country-wise data on export of Soya Oil is available in the publication of Directorate Itoneral of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics (DGCI&S).

b): No, Sir.

c): Does not arise

d): Some of the steps taken to enhance agri-exports, including Soya Oil include sending delegations abroad, participating in International trade fairs, inviting potential buyers and providing financial assistance to exporters for improving quality, packaging, brand promotion of products and conducting market surveys. Recently, the excise duty on Food Grade Hexane, which is a solvent used for extraction of oil, has been reduced from 32% to 16%.